

Wittman	Wu	Young (FL)
Wolf	Yarmuth	
Woolsey	Young (AK)	

NOT VOTING—13

Abercrombie	Lucas	Ryan (OH)
Boustany	Miller, Gary	Shea-Porter
Dreier	Olson	Welch
Gohmert	Putnam	
Hinchey	Rangel	

□ 1515

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

AUTHORIZING PILOT PROGRAM FOR PATENT CASES

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the question on suspending the rules and passing the bill, H.R. 628.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. JOHNSON) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 628.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 409, noes 7, not voting 15, as follows:

[Roll No. 130]

AYES—409

Ackerman	Boucher	Coble
Aderholt	Boyd	Coffman (CO)
Adler (NJ)	Brady (PA)	Cohen
Akin	Brady (TX)	Cole
Alexander	Braley (IA)	Conaway
Altmire	Bright	Connolly (VA)
Andrews	Brown (GA)	Conyers
Arcuri	Brown (SC)	Cooper
Austria	Brown, Corrine	Costa
Baca	Brown-Waite,	Costello
Bachmann	Ginny	Courtney
Bachus	Buchanan	Crenshaw
Baird	Burgess	Cuellar
Baldwin	Burton (IN)	Culberson
Barrett (SC)	Butterfield	Cummings
Barrow	Buyer	Dahlkemper
Bartlett	Calvert	Davis (AL)
Barton (TX)	Camp	Davis (CA)
Bean	Campbell	Davis (IL)
Becerra	Cantor	Davis (KY)
Berkley	Cao	Davis (TN)
Berman	Capito	Deal (GA)
Berry	Capps	DeFazio
Biggert	Capuano	DeGette
Bilbray	Cardoza	Delahunt
Bilirakis	Carnahan	DeLauro
Bishop (GA)	Carney	Dent
Bishop (NY)	Carson (IN)	Diaz-Balart, L.
Bishop (UT)	Carter	Diaz-Balart, M.
Blackburn	Cassidy	Dicks
Blumenauer	Castle	Dingell
Blunt	Castor (FL)	Doggett
Boccheri	Chaffetz	Donnelly (IN)
Boehner	Chandler	Doyle
Bonner	Childers	Driehaus
Bono Mack	Clarke	Edwards (MD)
Boozman	Clay	Edwards (TX)
Boren	Cleaver	Ehlers
Boswell	Clyburn	Ellison

Ellsworth	Lee (CA)	Reyes
Emerson	Lee (NY)	Richardson
Engel	Levin	Rodriguez
Eshoo	Lewis (CA)	Roe (TN)
Etheridge	Lewis (GA)	Rogers (AL)
Fallin	Linder	Rogers (KY)
Farr	Lipinski	Rogers (MI)
Fattah	LoBiondo	Rohrabacher
Filner	Loebbeck	Rooney
Fleming	Lofgren, Zoe	Ros-Lehtinen
Forbes	Lowey	Roskam
Fortenberry	Luetkemeyer	Ross
Foster	Luján	Rothman (NJ)
Frank (MA)	Lungren, Daniel E.	Roybal-Allard
Franks (AZ)		Royce
Frelinghuysen	Lynch	Ruppersberger
Fudge	Mack	Rush
Gallegly	Maffei	Ryan (OH)
Garrett (NJ)	Maloney	Ryan (WI)
Gerlach	Marchant	Salazar
Giffords	Markey (CO)	Sanchez, Linda T.
Gingrey (GA)	Markey (MA)	Sanchez, Loretta
Gohmert	Marshall	Sarbanes
Gonzalez	Massa	Scalise
Goodlatte	Matheson	Schakowsky
Gordon (TN)	Matsui	Schauer
Granger	McCarthy (CA)	Schiff
Graves	McCarthy (NY)	Schmidt
Grayson	McCaul	Schock
Green, Al	McClintock	Schrader
Green, Gene	McCollum	Schwartz
Griffith	McCotter	Scott (GA)
Grijalva	McDermott	Scott (VA)
Guthrie	McGovern	Sensenbrenner
Hall (NY)	McHenry	Serrano
Hall (TX)	McHugh	Sessions
Halvorson	McIntyre	Sestak
Hare	McKeon	Shadegg
Harman	McMahon	Sherman
Harper	McMorris	Shimkus
Hastings (FL)	Rodgers	Shuler
Hastings (WA)	McNerney	Simpson
Heinrich	Meek (FL)	Sires
Heller	Meeks (NY)	Skelton
Hensarling	Melancon	Slaughter
Hерger	Mica	Smith (NE)
Herseeth Sandlin	Michaud	Smith (NJ)
Higgins	Miller (FL)	Smith (NC)
Hill	Miller (MI)	Smith (TX)
Himes	Miller (NC)	Smith (WA)
Hinojosa	Miller, George	Snyder
Hirono	Minnick	Souder
Hodes	Mitchell	Space
Hoekstra	Mollohan	Speier
Holden	Moore (KS)	Spratt
Holt	Moore (WI)	Stark
Honda	Moran (KS)	Stearns
Hoyer	Moran (VA)	Stupak
Hunter	Murphy (CT)	Sullivan
Inslee	Murphy, Patrick	Sutton
Israel	Murphy, Tim	Tanner
Issa	Murtha	Tauscher
Jackson (IL)	Myrick	Taylor
Jackson-Lee	Nadler (NY)	Teague
(TX)	Napolitano	Terry
Jenkins	Neal (MA)	Thompson (CA)
Johnson (GA)	Neugebauer	Thompson (MS)
Johnson, E. B.	Nunes	Thompson (PA)
Johnson, Sam	Nye	Thornberry
Jones	Oberstar	Tiahrt
Jordan (OH)	Obey	Tiberi
Kagen	Oliver	Tierney
Kanjorski	Ortiz	Titus
Kaptur	Pallone	Tonko
Kennedy	Pascarella	Towns
Kildee	Pastor (AZ)	Tsongas
Kilpatrick (MI)	Paulsen	Turner
Kilroy	Payne	Upton
Kind	Pence	Van Hollen
King (IA)	Perlmutter	Visclosky
King (NY)	Perriello	Walden
Kingston	Peters	Walz
Kirk	Peterson	Wamp
Kirkpatrick (AZ)	Petri	Wasserman
Kissell	Pingree (ME)	Schultz
Klein (FL)	Pitts	Waters
Kline (MN)	Platts	Watson
Kosmas	Poe (TX)	Watt
Kratochvil	Polis (CO)	Waxman
Kucinich	Pomeroy	Weiner
Lamborn	Posey	Westmoreland
Lance	Price (GA)	Wexler
Langevin	Price (NC)	Whitfield
Larsen (WA)	Radanovich	Wilson (OH)
Larson (CT)	Rahall	Wilson (SC)
Latham	Rangel	Wittman
LaTourette	Rehberg	
Latta	Reichert	

Wolf	Wu	Young (AK)
Woolsey	Yarmuth	Young (FL)

NOES—7

Duncan	Johnson (IL)	Paul
Flake	Lummis	
Fox	Manzullo	

NOT VOTING—15

Abercrombie	Hinchey	Putnam
Boustany	Inglis	Shea-Porter
Crowley	Lucas	Shuster
Dreier	Miller, Gary	Velázquez
Gutierrez	Olson	Welch

□ 1523

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Mr. INGLIS. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 130, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO BOARD OF VISITORS TO THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD ACADEMY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to 14 U.S.C. 194(a), and the order of the House of January 6, 2009, the Chair announces the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House to the Board of Visitors to the United States Coast Guard Academy:

Mr. COURTNEY, Connecticut

Mr. COBLE, North Carolina

CERTIFICATION TO CONGRESS IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROVISIONS OF SECTION 1512 OF STROM THURMOND NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 111-25)

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, without objection, referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed:

To the Congress of the United States:

In accordance with the provisions of section 1512 of the Strom Thurmond National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999 (Public Law 105-261), I hereby certify to the Congress that the export of fine grain graphite to be used for solar cell applications and for the fabrication of components used in electronic and semiconductor fabrication, and two dual-motor, dual-shaft mixers to be used to produce carbon fiber and epoxy prepregs for the commercial airline industry is not detrimental to the U.S. space launch industry, and that the material and equipment, including any indirect technical benefit that could be derived from these exports,

will not measurably improve the missile or space launch capabilities of the People's Republic of China.

BARACK OBAMA.
THE WHITE HOUSE, March 17, 2009.

NATIONAL WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

(Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, obviously I rise to commemorate some special days, St. Patrick's Day to all of my wonderful Irish friends all over the Nation, and certainly to perpetuate the wonderful relationship that we have with the great nation of Ireland.

At the same time, we have the opportunity to celebrate supporting the goals and ideals of National Women's History Month, and I thank my good friend, Congresswoman LYNN WOOLSEY, for offering H. Res. 211, supporting the goals and ideals of National Women's History Month.

There is so much we can say as part of the great history of the women of this country and around the world, but we all should note that women express and exhibit a very special part of American history.

Today, women account for 51 percent of the world's population, and throughout women's time, we have had countless sisters of brilliance. And so I salute them today and say we must stand for the cause of pay equity, and I am excited that one of the first bills that the President signed was pay equity.

I am also excited to note that I offered legislation to support the placement of Sojourner Truth, a suffragette and an abolitionist, in the House of the United States Capitol, and that will be done.

Let me close by simply thanking all of the great women of this Nation, Barbara Jordan and others, for what they have done and what they have contributed to America's history.

HUMAN EMBRYONIC STEM-CELL RESEARCH

(Mr. LAMBORN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. LAMBORN. Mr. Speaker, human lives should never be sacrificed for the promotion of science. The very purpose of science is to uphold and protect life. We cannot in one breath say we want to advance science in order to save lives, and in the next support science that devalues the life of the smallest and most defenseless humans. All human life is sacred.

The alternatives to embryonic stem-cell research are vast. There is no reason to force taxpayers to fund research that will destroy human life because the advances we are seeing from adult stem-cell research hold tremendous promise.

To date, there have been 73 treatments for disease ethically using adult forms of stem-cell research while embryonic stem-cell research has failed to provide a single treatment.

There is no one in this Chamber who does not wish to see science advance. But as we progress, we must be mindful that science is best when it is used within ethical boundaries. In our quest for progress, if we compromise the morals that support us, what good will our so-called progress be then?

OUT-OF-CONTROL SPENDING MUST STOP

(Mr. LUETKEMEYER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Speaker, families and small businesses all across our country are making sacrifices, yet our government continues to spend like a drunken sailor. And how does Washington propose paying for all this spending? With more tax increases on hardworking families and small businesses, the very businesses that are crucial generators of job creation and economic growth.

The President's budget includes the largest tax increase in history, shouldering our families and small businesses with the cost of an ever-expanding government. Tax increases on small businesses will stifle job creation and economic growth at the very moment our country needs a strong and robust small-business sector to help us get back on solid ground.

The President's cap-and-trade program will increase the cost of energy for all Americans and place a tax of about \$3,000 per household in my district for this very program. Hardworking families and businesses all across my district and America are asking: What is going on in Washington? Does it have a clue how we work hard and how we earn our money and what we are doing with it?

This out-of-control spending must stop.

□ 1530

CONGRATULATING CARROLLTON HIGH SCHOOL LADY TROJANS ON STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

(Mr. GINGREY of Georgia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GINGREY of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize a very talented group of girls from Carrollton, Georgia. The Carrollton High School Girls Basketball team—or the Lady Trojans—defeated a very talented Lakeview-Fort Oglethorpe team 51-31 to claim the Class AAA Georgia High School Association State title this weekend.

The Lady Trojans found themselves down at the half, 24-23. However, Carrollton's defense, led by Karisma Boykin—always helps to have cha-

risma, Mr. Speaker—stole the show in the second half, keeping the explosive Lakeview-Fort Oglethorpe offense scoreless in the third quarter and allowing only seven points in the fourth quarter. As they say, defense wins championships.

Mr. Speaker, we all know that the other thing that wins championships, of course, is hard work and determination, and there was no shortage of that from Carrollton Coach Shon Thomaston and the Lady Trojans.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating the Carrollton High School Lady Trojans on their State championship, as well as all of their hard work that got them there.

PRESIDENT OBAMA SHOULDN'T BE SURPRISED ABOUT AIG BONUSES

(Mr. BURTON of Indiana asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BURTON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, the President showed some real anger about the bonuses that were paid to AIG executives. The problem is, he either knew they were getting the bonuses or he should have because every one of the spending bills that came through this House went through a conference committee, and the White House was deeply involved in what was put in those conference committee reports.

The stimulus package, the TARP bill, every single bill that gave money to AIG and to others went through the scrutiny of the White House. The President is up there today saying, "Oh my gosh, this is terrible," and he shows real anger. Well, if he didn't know about it, he should have; and if he did know about it, he shouldn't be raising Cain about it.

THE REAL AIG OUTRAGE

(Mr. STEARNS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. STEARNS. Mr. Speaker, the previous speaker mentioned the outrage about the bonuses to AIG. That's not the real outrage. The real outrage is that taxpayers have given AIG \$173 billion, and this amount of money was then used to funnel out to other financial institutions.

After months of government stonewalling, on Sunday night AIG officially acknowledged where most of the taxpayer funds had been going. Since September 16, AIG has spent \$120 billion in cash, collateral, and other payments to banks, municipal governments, and other derivative counterparties around the world. This also includes \$20 billion to European banks. We never intended for this money to go overseas; the taxpayers thought it was going to AIG.

This list also includes American charity cases like Goldman Sachs,